

CALFRESH (CF) PROGRAM

REQUEST FOR POLICY/REGULATION INTERPRETATION

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete items 1 - 10 on the form. Use a separate form for each policy interpretation request. If additional space is needed, please use the second page. Be sure to identify the additional discussion with the appropriate number and heading. Retain a copy of the CF 24 for your records.

- Questions from counties, including county Quality Control, must be submitted by the county CalFresh Coordinator and may be submitted directly to the CalFresh Policy analyst assigned responsibility for the county, with a copy directed to the appropriate CalFresh Policy unit manager.
- Questions from Administrative Law Judges may be submitted directly to the CalFresh Policy analyst assigned responsibility to the county where the hearing took place, with a copy of the form directed to the appropriate CalFresh Bureau unit manager.

1. RESPONSE NEEDED DUE TO:		5. DATE OF REQUEST:	NEED RESPONSE BY:
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Policy/Regulation Interpretation <input type="checkbox"/> QC <input type="checkbox"/> Fair Hearing <input type="checkbox"/> Other:		08/22/26	ASAP
2. REQUESTOR NAME:		6. COUNTY/ORGANIZATION:	
3. PHONE NO.:		Contra Costa County	
4. REGULATION CITE(S):		7. SUBJECT:	
MPP 63.402.4 MPP 63-402.62 63-502.2 63-503.47,		Sober Living Enviroments	
9. QUESTION: (INCLUDE SCENARIO IF NEEDED FOR CLARITY):		8. REFERENCES: (Include ACL/ACIN, court cases, etc. in references)	
A Sober Living Environment (SLE) is a residential living arrangement for persons transitioning from drug or alcohol rehab which does not provide services provided by a licensed treatment facility and does not require licensing. Are unlicensed SLE residents eligible to participate in CalFresh in the following situations?		NOTE: All requests must have a regulation cite(s) and/or a reference(s).	
		MPP. 63-402.662	

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- 1) If the SLE provides does not provide meals but has the facilities for residents to prepare their own food?
- 2) If the SLE provides some meals but not the majority of the meals to the residents?
- 3) If the SLE will provides all meals. but requests, that as a condition for living there, residents apply for and turn over their SNAP benefits to the facility for provision of meals to all residents? (see more information on page 2)

10. REQUESTOR'S PROPOSED ANSWER:

- 1) Yes, the member would be able to apply for CF as an individual household If facilities are available for residents to store and cook their food separately from other residents in the SLE
- 2) Yes, the member would be able to apply for CF as an individual household If the SLE does not provide a majority of the meals for the residents. (less than half)
- 3) No, the individual would not be able to apply for CF as an individual household, since the member is not allowed to purchase and prepare separately. In addition since they are not a licensed facility they may not request members to turn over their CF benefits to the SLE.

11. STATE POLICY RESPONSE (CFPB USE ONLY):

The residents of SLE should be able to apply for CalFresh benefits if the facility is not providing them with majority of the meals and are allowed to purchase and prepare separately from other residents of the facility. Per MPP 63-402.622 residents of such facilities are eligible to apply for benefits under authorized representative.

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DATE RECEIVED:

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DATE RESPONDED TO COUNTY/ALJ:

SV 09-15-2016

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1. RESPONSE NEEDED DUE TO: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Policy/Regulation Interpretation <input type="checkbox"/> QC <input type="checkbox"/> Fair Hearing <input type="checkbox"/> Other:	5. DATE OF REQUEST: 08/11/16	NEED RESPONSE BY: ASAP
2. REQUESTOR NAME:	6. COUNTY/ORGANIZATION: Contra Costa County	
3. PHONE NO.:	7. SUBJECT: Sober Living Environments	
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My understanding is that the provide transition housing for both men or women (each house may be able to hold a different number of residents) with food for the residents who stay anywhere from 3-6 months while they assist them with finding permanent housing. So while the residents are there they want them to apply for CalFresh and use the CalFresh benefits to pay for the meals provided.

It is an unlicensed affordable , alcohol and drug free housing situation which allows residents to continue t develop their individual recovery plans to become self-supporting. This SLE will provide to its residents:

1. All meals (food sufficient for three meals per day
2. Sleeping quarters
3. Space for personal items
4. laundry facilities and
5. Supportive services such as transportation and other classes, assistance with enrollment for benefits, GED program and other in -house programs, NA/AA meetings.